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In re Application of:

**SHEKHAR IYER ET AL.**

Serial No. 09/594,652

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For: **PRODUCT SUBSTITUTION  
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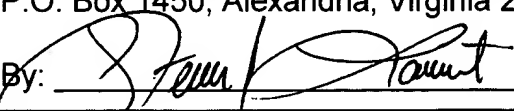
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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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The indication in the Notice of Allowance mailed 7 June 2006 that Claims 1-5, 7-11, 13-25, 27-40, and 42-47 of the subject Application, have been allowed, is noted with appreciation. However, the Applicant would like to comment on the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

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**REMARKS:**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104, the Applicant respectfully issues a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance. The Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's reasons for allowance to the extent that they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes, and regulations. Furthermore, the Applicant does not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims, particularly any that are inconsistent with the language of the claims considered in their entirety and including all of their constituent limitations, or to any characterization of a reference by the Examiner.


**CONCLUSION:**

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